

RE: TRUCKERS

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GOC update summarizing all updates from this afternoon. Of note, Coutt remains affected by an ongoing demonstration that's impeding traffic, and the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board has indicated they may cancel school tomorrow due to the protests.

New information in bold as of 17:00 EDT

Overview

- Effective 15 Jan and 22 Jan, respectively, Canada and the U.S. began requiring COVID-19 vaccination as mandatory for all individuals, including truckers, entering their borders for both essential and non-essential reasons. These changes to travel restrictions led to several demonstrations nationally, including in Downtown Ottawa.

Key Points

Details on Demonstrations

- **Currently there are, approximately, 1,000 to 1,100 people on Parliament Hill and 1,000 people in the vicinity (on Wellington).**
- **According to organizers speaking to protestors Sunday, some plan to stay well past the end of the weekend.** [Link](#)
- On 29 Jan a NOTAM was issued with an airspace restriction over downtown Ottawa extending from Victoria Island to New Edinburgh, including the Byward Market, Lowertown and over the Ottawa River, to include a section of downtown Hull/Gatineau.
- Additional demonstrations took place in several cities across Canada.
- Demonstrations continue at several border points of entry, notably Windsor, ON, Coutts, AB, and Emerson MB.
 - **Coutts AB: 30 Jan – At 12:00 EDT, the commercial parking lot and highway egress from the POE were completely full of commercial vehicles that had been cleared by CBSA. As there was no more room for additional vehicles to proceed into Canada the gates were closed across PIL. The port remains open however the highway remains closed at this time due to the blockade north of the POE.**
 - **Ambassador Bridge, Windsor ON: 30 Jan – At 12:24 EDT, approximately 22 vehicles were involved in a convoy demonstration near the POE. There were no impacts to CBSA operations.**
 - **Emerson, MB: 30 Jan – At 11:30 EDT, a small convoy began north of the port, staff are reporting issues on site due to twinned vehicles blocking the highway southbound approximately 8Km north of the port. There are no impacts to CBSA operations.**

Preparedness and Response efforts

- The GOC hosted a Significant Event Information Sharing Protocol (SEISP) teleconference at 13:00 EDT, with partners at TBS and PCO. Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Mon 31 Jan at 13:00 EDT.
- On 29 Jan, a Request for Federal Assistance (RFA) from Ontario was approved for access to Cartier Square Drill Hall parking lot, for staging of Ottawa Police Service (OPS) operations.
- OPS reports the following activities:
 - Priorities continue to include: Management of traffic issues (including gridlock); Keeping peace and order; Protecting monuments; and Addressing threatening and/or high risk behaviour.
 - Focus will shift to traffic approaches that move crowds and vehicles out of the downtown core. This will require a significant number of police and city resources. [Link](#)
 - Several criminal investigations are underway in relation to the desecration of the National War Memorial/Terry Fox statue, threatening/illegal/intimidating behaviour to police/city workers and other individuals and damage to a city vehicle. [Link](#)
 - The Chaudière Bridge is closed but is the point of entry for hospital workers, first responders etc. coming from the QC side.
- The Ottawa-Carleton District School Board (OCDSB) indicated that it is exploring the possibility that classes may be cancelled on 31 Jan, due to the ongoing protests. [Link](#)
- For information on planned traffic routes and road closures as of 11:30 EDT please refer to the following webmap: [Link to webmap](#)
- The following [Link](#) is an update to all of the road closures in the City of Ottawa as of 15:00 EDT, 30 Jan: [Link](#)

Overall Assessment: (derived from information available on open sources):

- The majority of the event has been peaceful thus far.
- Since most government employees are working remotely, the disruption to government activities is so far minor.
- **The demonstrators may stay beyond the weekend and there is currently no known end time for the demonstrations.**

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Hi all,

RCMP update from 3:30PM. Flag of note here is that they've received a media request about reports that Nazi symbols are being spray painted on Parliamentary Precinct buildings.

Event Overview:

- Convoys totalling approximately 2950 vehicles have arrived in the NCR. Unknown number of vehicles in the downtown core. **Approximately 750 people reported at this time on Parliament Hill and approximately 300 people on Wellington St. Mood remains positive.**
- Reports of a small convoy coming in from Arnprior, ON (20 vehicles).
- Organizers have indicated that there will be speakers in Confederation Park on 2022-01-31.
- The status of interprovincial bridges is as follows:
 - MacDonald Cartier has reopened to 2 lanes in each direction;
 - Alexandra Bridge remains closed;
 - Portage Bridge is closed in both directions due to demonstrations;
 - Chaudiere Bridge Southbound is closed; and
 - Champlain Bridge remains open.

Communications:

- OPS has issued a second media update, shortly after the first, regarding the desecration of the War Memorial investigation, as well as the ongoing threatening/illegal/intimidating behaviour against police officers/city workers and other individuals, which included damage to a city vehicle.
- National Division communications has received two (2) media requests, the first surrounding reports that **Nazi symbols are being spray painted on buildings within the Parliamentary Precinct** (coordinating a response with PPS, PSPC) and a second request surrounding misinformation that is being reported on crowd/convoy sizes and is being attributed to the RCMP/OPS. For the latter, partners have agreed that details on the size of the demonstrations will only be released once the event has concluded.

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This was just shared with MPs from the Sergeant at Arms:
Security information

Given the current situation on Parliament Hill with regard to the Freedom Convoy, security plans are being developed to ensure your personal safety should you need to access the House of Commons precinct in the coming days. The plans will be shared with you later today.

The sharing of security-related information could jeopardize your security and safety, that of Parliamentarians and that of all those who serve on the Hill. Please do not share this information.

Patrick McDonnell
Sergeant-at-Arms

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Consolidating a few updates that have come in this morning.

From the RCMP's sitreps - Minimal protestors around the Hill so far this morning. Current events that are being tracked include an 11AM church service on Parliament Hill, and an 11AM march towards Parliament Hill led by Maxime Beriner. As ML previously shared there's also a press conference is scheduled for later today at 1PM, location still TBD. OPS published the attached NR earlier this morning, an update on what happened overnight. Points of note from the NR:

- Large crowds remained in the downtown core throughout the night and were actively managed by police. Officers encountered several challenges with demonstrators, including sporadic road blockages by trucks, which officers worked to clear. **These high-risk situations were de-escalated and resolved with no arrests.**
- National monuments will be protected and should be respected by all. **Barricades are installed to block any vehicular access to the path in front of the National War Memorial.**
- OPS continues to advise against travel to the downtown core.

And a few stories to flag from late last night:

- Former US President Donald Trump addressed the protests during a rally yesterday, stating "...We want these great Canadian truckers to know, we are with them all the way!" ([Video clip](#))
- The Shepherds of Good Hope, a downtown Ottawa homeless shelter, reportedly had staff harassed by convoy participants who were demanding free meals from their soup kitchen. ([Tweet](#))

[From RCMP, multiple updates consolidated] Event Overview:

- Convoys totalling approximately 2950 vehicles have arrived in the NCR. Unknown number of vehicles in the downtown core. **Approximately a dozen protestors reported at this time on Parliament Hill. Mood remains positive. Foot traffic in the downtown core is picking up again.**
- OPS reporting individual actions over night resulted in a broken window to a City of Ottawa heavy vehicle and the displacement of Ottawa paramedics from the downtown core, for their safety.
- Trucks are trying to get around the City of Ottawa heavy vehicles that are blocking roads downtown.
- Alexandria and Portage bridges remain closed to traffic coming into the NCR.
- Jersey pillars have been placed on the perimeter of the War Memorial.

- Reports of protestors harassing the staff at the Shepherds of Good Hope (230 block of Murray St.) while seeking meals from the soup kitchen.

Operational Information:

- According to a Facebook post, the group Faradaa are expected to meet at the intersection of Laval and Laurier St. at 1100hrs. The group is planning a march to Parliament Hill. The expected number of participants remains unconfirmed at this time.
- A Twitter post was located, which made reference to the following three scheduled events for today:
 - 1100hrs- Church service on Parliament Hill
 - 1100hrs- March from 1 Nicholas St. to Parliament Hill led by PPC leader Maxime Bernier
 - Afternoon- Press Conference by organizers (event time and location TBD)
- A post was shared to the Canada Unity page 9 hours ago which reads “So we want to prove to Justin Trudeau that we’re not a FRINGE minority. We’re preparing the ‘2nd Wave Convoy’ getting ready to head to Ottawa.”
- PPC leader Maxime BERNIER is expected to speak on Parliament Hill today at 1200hrs.

Communications:

- There continues to be a high level of media attention on the protest (approximately 89 news articles this morning), which includes domestic and international coverage.
- **Former POTUS Trump spoke at a rally in Conroe, TX and mentioned the Canadian truckers.** A Tweet posted last evening at 2101hrs states “ President Trump sends a message to the Canadian truckers: ‘We are with them all the way!’” A video is linked to the Tweet. In the video, Trump says: “The Canadian truckers, you’ve been reading about. Who are resisting, bravely, these lawless mandates are doing more to defend American freedom than our own leaders by far. And want those great Canadian truckers to know that we are with them all the way. They are.. they’ve really shown something.”. The video has been viewed more than 27.4k times.
- International media coverage continue to increase, with the comments made by former POTUS Trump last night. Al-Jazeera and the New York Times continue to cover this story.
- Hashtags on Twitter associated with the demo do not appear to be trending as much, with the exception of some that are negative towards the protest activity.
- One media request was received this morning from Radio-Canada asking if the RCMP had any incidents to report from overnight.
- OPS issued a News Release this morning summarizing the events throughout the evening and reminding residents/visitors to **refrain from travelling to the downtown core.**

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Final RCMP update of the night. Numbers in and around Parliament Hill have dropped significantly from the peak, but there are reports of fireworks being set off and a small bonfire in the area.

Have a good evening everyone.

Event Overview:

Latest Data (estimates): 2,949+ vehicles and 1200 + demonstrators (additions/updates to data in red)

- Approximately 200 people on Parliament Hill + 1000 on Wellington St.
- All major convoys are now off the highways and are in the NCR. Highways are open and traffic is moving at normal speeds.
- Traffic in the city core is highly congested. Vehicles are double parked on Sir John A. MacDonald Parkway
- Some challenges holding emergency lanes this afternoon as the crowds have become more challenging. .
- SPVG report that the demonstration scheduled for 1330hrs just left at 1645. The number of demonstrators has dropped and approximately 300 people are on the Alexandria Bridge.
- NCRCC has confirmed that, despite bridge closures, anyone needing to get to work from QC (first responders, health care workers, law enforcement) can show their work ID/badges at the Chaudiere Bridge and gain access to the NCR through Booth St.
- Fireworks continue on Parliament Hill. Live DJ and atmosphere continues to be celebratory.
- Rideau Centre has been closed and police have cleared the premise.
- Reports of a small bonfire across from Parliament Hill.

Communications:

- OPS issued a news release to update on the protests. (refer to update #8 for a copy)
- There are multiple SM reports of journalists being harassed by protestors.
- Multiple international news outlets are reporting on the protests, including the New York Times, Reuters and the Associated Press. There are also news reports of others protests happening in solidarity across the country.

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Convoy's Go Fund Me page has been updated with the below schedule for tomorrow:

Sunday Itinerary: Freedom Convoy Canada

11:00 - Prayer for Unity Service held by Mennonite Pastor Henry Hildebrandt. All religious denominations welcome. Join Us.
Location: Parliament Hill

13:00 - 1st Press Conference.
Location: Undisclosed (Live Stream)

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The latest GOC sitrep is below. This will likely be the last update for the evening unless there are further significant developments.

Just one flag – within the last hour or so, the RCMP have reported a significant drop in protestors. **Latest Data (estimates): 2,949+ vehicles and 3,000 + demonstrators**

As mentioned in the GOC update, our office received and approved a request for federal assistance from Ontario earlier today. The RFA allows Ottawa Police to make use of a parking lot owned by the CAF – no CAF resources aside from access to the land is provided. As it pertains to police operations, there are no communications planned around this RFA at this time.

New information in bold as of 16:00 EDT

For information on planned traffic routes, please refer to the following webmap: [Link to webmap](#)

For near-real time updates on the city of Ottawa road closures and traffic updates, please refer to [Traffic.Ottawa.ca](https://www.trafficottawa.ca) and updates on @Ottawa_Traffic and @Ottawa_Circule.

Overview

- Effective 15 Jan, COVID-19 vaccination became mandatory for all truckers entering Canada from the United States to avoid a two-week quarantine and a negative COVID-19 test before arrival.
- Similarly, beginning on 22 Jan, U.S. DHS began requiring non-U.S. individuals seeking to enter the United States via land ports of entry and ferry terminals at the U.S.- Mexico and U.S.- Canada borders to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 and provide related proof of vaccination, as COVID-19 cases continue to rise nationwide. These new restrictions will apply to non-U.S. individuals who are traveling for both essential and non-essential reasons. They will not apply to U.S. citizens, Lawful Permanent Residents, or U.S. nationals.”

[Link](#)

Key Points

Details on Demonstrations

- **As of 14:30 EDT, there were approximately 6,000-7,000 people on Parliament Hill and the crowd was growing. People were coming from Gatineau from across the Alexandra Bridge.**

- **Thousands of people are also walking in clockwise circuit around Parliament Hill, to the Museum of History, and back.**
- CBC reported that PM Trudeau had left Rideau Cottage for an undisclosed location. [Link](#)
- The Parliamentary Protective Service expects as many as 10,000 protesters to be in attendance on 29 Jan. [Link](#)
- The OPS indicated that as of 11:55 convoys (3000+ vehicles) were arriving from the west, south, east. It was expected to take three hours for the entire convoy to reach the city centre.
 - **The West convoy has arrived and entering Ottawa on the Pinecrest exit off Highway 417, there is a 20km backup on the 417.**
 - **The East convoy continues to arrive at the Aviation Parkway with a 30km backup on the 417.**
 - **All convoys on Highway 416 have arrived in downtown Ottawa.**
- Rideau center has closed due to individuals not following public health protocols.
- **There have not been any reports of impacts to CI or federal buildings.**
- **A NOTAM has been issued with an airspace restriction over downtown Ottawa extending from Victoria Island to New Edinburgh, including the Byward Market, Lowertown and over the Ottawa River, to include a section of downtown Hull/Gatineau.**
- Additional demonstrations being planned across Canada.
 - "Slow roll" convoys at provincial and Canada/U.S. border crossing are planned over the weekend. [Link](#)
 - **NS has issued a highway blockade ban, prohibiting partial or complete blockades on all the roads in the province ahead of demonstrations on 29 Jan.** [Link](#)
 - In Windsor, ON, more than 200 vehicles met at Mic Mac Park on the morning of 29 Jan to take part in a slow roll cruise on Huron Church Road to Highway 401. [Link](#)
 - Two convoys were scheduled to roll into Regina on 29 Jan for a rally in front of the Saskatchewan Legislative Building. One group of vehicles met in Saskatoon and headed down Highway 11, while another met outside Regina at the Global Transportation Hub before making their way into the city. The first vehicles started to enter Regina around 11:30 EDT. [Link](#)
 - Demonstrations may take place at Federal buildings across Canada.

Situation at the border

- On 29 Jan, at 08:00 EDT, the Atlantic Region Operations Centre (ROC) was activated by the Regional Director General due to planned protests and blockades at the Woodstock POE and in the St. Stephen's Area.
- Ambassador Bridge, Windsor, ON, as of 12:00 EDT, approximately 100 vehicles were driving down Huron Church Road, however it is not impacting border traffic at this time. There were approximately 40 cars protesting on the US side and their protest was not impeding operations.
- In Carway, AB, as of 11:45 EDT, a small group of about 20 vehicles were parked at the Duty Free Store north of the POE. The vehicles arrived honking horns, however none were blocking the highway. Everything remains peaceful and the protest was not affecting CBSA Operations.
- In Coutts, AB, as of 1015 CT, an estimated 1,000 conveyance convoy, stretching 50km long, was approximately 15km north of the POE. RCMP staged vehicles at the POE, ready for the arrival.
- As of 07:02 EDT, the Emerson, MB POE reported approximately 100 commercial and other vehicles assembled north of the POE. One lane on Highway 75 remained open for vehicles

to pass southbound and some vehicles were seen using the turnaround lane prior to the POE to loop and go Northbound. As of 07:57 EDT, the convoy was in full swing with traffic slowly rolling.

Preparedness and Response efforts

- NCRCC has confirmed that anyone needing to get to work from Quebec (first responders, police, health care workers) can show their work ID/badge at the Chaudière Bridge and then access to Ottawa through Booth St.
- Minister Mendicino stated that Ottawa's police officers will be supported by other police and national security forces. [Link](#)
- On 29 Jan, The Solicitor General of ON submitted a Request for Federal Assistance (RFA) to support the OPS with the use of a CAF facility (parking lot at the Cartier Square Drill Hall on Queen Elizabeth Drive). Later on 29 Jan, MEP in consultation with MND, approved the RFA.
- The following road closures in the NCR were in place as of 14:30 EDT, 29 Jan:
 - The Sir John A Macdonald parkway (both between Booth and Carling and between Island Park and Booth);
 - Highway 417 at White Lake (between White Lake (Antrim Truck Stop) to the Madawaska River Bridge), the on-ramp at Highway 416, at Richmond/Bayshore Drive, at Kent, at Metcalfe and reduction at Greenbank southbound;
 - MacKenzie King Bridge westbound is closed between Waller and Elgin;
 - Kent northbound is closed between Queen and Wellington;
 - Laurier eastbound is reduced to one lane between Elgin and Nicholas;
 - The southbound lanes on the Portage Bridge are closed;
 - The southbound lanes on the Chaudière Crossing are closed;
 - Vanier Parkway northbound is closed at Coventry; and
 - The MacDonald-Cartier bridge will be closed in an effort to divert the QC convoys away from the downtown core and into Gatineau.

Overall Assessment: (derived from information available on open sources):

- The majority of the event has been peaceful thus far.
- Vehicles are being redirected away from the core to mitigate road safety. OPS is asking that people do not come into the core unless it is necessary.
- Since most government employees are working remotely, the disruption to government activities is so far minor.
- Demonstrators are expected to stay throughout the weekend, although there is currently no known end time for the demonstrations.

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Subject: Re: TRUCKERS

PSPC installing additional fencing around the War Memorial.

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On Jan 29, 2022, at 4:28 PM, Williams, Caroline <Caroline.Williams@qpc-cpr.gc.ca> wrote:

4PM RCMP update – estimate of demonstrators is up by a little over 1,000.

Event Overview:

Latest Data (estimates): 2,949+ vehicles and 7,000 + demonstrators (additions/updates to data in red)

- **Currently downtown: 500 vehicles + 7000 demonstrators**
 - Approximately 7000 people on Parliament Hill
 - All convoys from 416 have arrived in the NCR (Port Hope/Oshawa/Peterborough/Bright, ON)
- **Currently in the City- Jet Form Park: 55 vehicles**
- **Arriving today: 2,394 vehicles + unknown vehicles (US-QC) +5,600 demonstrators (AP)**
 - 534 vehicles
 - Arrived at Pinecrest exit on 417, convoy extends 20km on 417.
 - Reports that Arnprior convoy has split up into smaller convoys off the highway.
 - 850 vehicles
 - Arrived at Aviation Parkway, convoy extends 30km on 417
 - Convoy of 40 mixed vehicles, traveling from La Peche, QC
 - Cornwall RCMP reporting that they are starting to see convoys, approximately 250 vehicles and several trucks. Departed at 1000hrs.
 - QC-US Border Convoy, details unknown, will be joining East Convoy in Vankleek Hill, ON.
 - 2 school buses have departed Magog, QC, currently approaching Bromont, QC.
 - Jonquiere, QC convoy has departed with approximately 20 vehicles.
 - Actions Pacifique expecting 5000 demonstrators to cross from Gatineau side to NCR, planning to park on the Gatineau side and travel by foot into the Ottawa where they will meet up with members of the group Farfadaa (300).
 - SPVG have advised that Champlain Bridge is the only bridge open at this time. All other bridges into the Ottawa area have been closed.

Operational Information:

- Twitter feed video and reports of a helicopter flying dangerously low over the downtown core and PH with vulgarities printed on it aimed at PM.
- Nazi flag observed on Parliament Hill.
- SQ advises that almost all downtown Ottawa restaurants are closed this evening, which obviously limits where people will be able to eat.
- PPS advised the crowd on Parliament Hill has let off 6 floating lanterns that are quickly rising.
- Majors Hill park packed with people and George St. is blocked.

- Drone spotted in the area of Parliament Hill.
- Centennial Flame is no longer lit, was extinguished, standard part of PPS operational planning when large scale event on the grounds of PH.
- Transport Canada has issued a NOTAM to expand restrictions around Parliament Hill.

Communications:

- Majority of media coverage consists of live updates. CTV and CBC have ongoing live aerial footage from various locations.

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Update from PSPC

The Ottawa police request use of parking lot at Tunney's for convoy overflow. DM approved. We can accommodate since the outdoor parking are mostly empty. This is the first request of this type on GC properties.

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On Jan 29, 2022, at 3:17 PM, Kristensen, Emma <emma.kristensen@tc.gc.ca> wrote:

Sam - re your question about violations of the NOTAM on the call. TC is aware and looking into it. The NOTAM was only recently issued so they may have occurred before it was live. We will keep you posted.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 29, 2022, at 2:50 PM, Williams, Caroline <Caroline.Williams@qpc-cpr.gc.ca> wrote:

Latest from the RCMP with new counts of the number of demonstrators, same information Mike provided on the call.

OPS is also expected to put out the attached update NR shortly. They aren't planning any media briefings at this time.

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(additions/updates to data in red)

- **Currently downtown: 500 vehicles + 5000 demonstrators**
 - Approximately 5000 people on Parliament Hill

- Crowds remain peaceful.
- **Currently in the City- Jet Form Park: 55 vehicles**
- **Arriving today: 2,394 vehicles + unknown vehicles (US-QC) +5,600 demonstrators**
 - 534 vehicles (West convoy has departed from Arnprior, ON)
 - Hwy 417 currently gridlocked all the way to Arnprior, ON. Reports of debris (nails) thrown onto the highway.
 - 850 vehicles, includes those from New Brunswick and Quebec (inclusive of East convoy and SQ data), have arrived in Vankleek Hill, ON and will depart today with an Ottawa arrival time of 1200hrs.
 - QC convoy splitting into two groups, one on Hwy 148 and one on Hwy 50.
 - Debris (nails) thrown on Hwy 50 in Lachute, QC area. Causing traffic jam, as efforts are made to clean this up.
 - Port Hope Convoy is enroute to the NCR, approximately 600 vehicles (assumption is that this also includes the vehicles reported earlier from the Oshawa/Peterborough convoy). Convoy's arrival delayed, due to a collision involving injuries.
 - Convoy of 40 mixed vehicles, traveling from La Peche, QC
 - Convoy of 100 vehicles travelling from Brighton, ON.
 - Cornwall RCMP reporting that they are starting to see convoys, approximately 250 vehicles and several trucks. Departed at 1000hrs.
 - QC-US Border Convoy, details unknown, will be joining East Convoy in Vankleek Hill, ON.
 - 2 school buses have departed Magog, QC, currently approaching Bromont, QC.
 - Jonquiere, QC convoy has departed with approximately 20 vehicles.
 - Actions Pacifique expecting 5000 demonstrators to cross from Gatineau side to NCR, planning to park on the Gatineau side and travel by foot into the Ottawa area at 1330hrs.
 - Large number of people crossing Alexandria Bridge on foot. Not forming into a group at this time.
 - Unknown number of demonstrators can be expected from the NCR

- Go Fund Me page is now at over \$8M.

Communications:

- National Division Communications reached out to OPS to inquire about whether or not they had any media briefings planned for today. At this time, no briefings are planned. OPS did indicate that they are providing a few key one-on-one media interviews, that will be done by their MRO, which includes CFRA Live @1335hrs, CBC TV/Zoom @1430 and RC Radio Live @1455. OPS is also planning on issuing a news release at 1400hrs and will be sharing it with us shortly.

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Subject: RE: TRUCKERS

Hi again,

As discussed on the ministerial call a few minutes ago, see below for proposed lines on the PM's isolation and on the reports that he's been relocated. FYSA, his current location has **not** been confirmed by our office.

PM Isolation

- As the PM has said, he is in isolation after having been exposed to COVID-19
- I know this is something many Canadians have experienced over the last 2 years.
- I understand he consulted Ottawa Public Health to make sure he was following all measures to stay safe.

PM location change

- The RCMP adapts their protective posture to make sure they are keeping people like the PM and all Canadians safe.
- Of course, it wouldn't be appropriate to talk about any specific measures that are taken, both to protect the safety of the PM and the officers who protect him.

Please let me know if you have any questions,

Mary-Liz Power (she/her/elle)

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Irrelevant

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Subject: RE: TRUCKERS

Latest from CBSA on border interruptions:

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I can advise that we have had our 1st intercept of travellers due to our enhanced vigilance regarding protestors. At Lansdowne POE two subjects appeared at primary claiming to be independent journalist travelling to Ottawa to report on the "Freedom Convoy 2020". They are currently in secondary inspection. Another 2 cases are currently underway in BC.

SUMMARY:

- First cases of protestors being intercepted for additional questions at the border for entry in ON and BC
- Some activity unfolding of slow rolls and in-canada protestors arriving on site at POEs
- Biggest event so far is Coutts with an estimated 1,000 conveyances stretching 50km long heading southbound, approx 15 km north of the POE
- No operational impacts or wait times nationally
- High state of readiness nationally

ATL:

- ROC stood up due to major snow storm developing
- Woodstock POE: light snowfall began with increasing speed, first 5 private vehicles arrived at POE blocking one of the southbound lanes leading to US / more have been seen en route towards the POE / no commercial vehicles yet / one media on Cdn side taking photos / Currently there are no commercial vehicles present as part of the convoy.
- A CMV Liaison Officer has spoken with protestors who informed them that they would be moving their vehicles so that D.O.T. plows/vehicles are able to clear the continuing snowfall as needed. The Liaison Officer advised that the protestors have indicated that US citizens would be walking up to the border to greet the Canadian protestors shortly.
- The protest is very peaceful with no activity to report

QC Nil

NOR: IEOD integrated with Ottawa Police Service and with the BOC for timely updates on the Ottawa protest. / Saut-StMarie: Michigan trucker support rally scheduled for noon today. No sighting so far. Numbers should be under 100. No activity so far.

SOR: anti-mandate protest at Rainbow Bridge at 1pm. / protestors from both sides of the border will walk across the bridge and meet in the middle. / no sighting yet. Ambassador Bridge: slow rolling convoy heading towards the Ambassador Bridge .. Roughly 100 cars and pick ups .. no tractor trailers / No indications of any blockade at this time .. Windsor Police and the owner operator are engaged

PRA: only activity to date is at Emerson, Coutts and Carway but no BWT or operational impacts to report. RCMP on site at each location patrolling

Emerson

- convoy arrived / Vehicles have mainly kept to one of two lanes in each direction with some traffic congestion at times / some interruption to traffic, slow rolls with intermittent stops with the loop currently stretched to hwy 421.. Traffic is flowing into Canada, then they are slowed by the convoy immediately north of CBSA property. / USCBP reports the convoy is interrupting the flow of

southbound traffic to the US but as the convoy approaches the port, US bound vehicles have uninterrupted access to USCBP

- US side is calm. RCMP present north of CBSA area and patrolling

Coutts

- An estimated 1000 conveyances stretching 50km long convoy are southbound, approximately 15 km north of the POE.
- RCMP have 12 vehicles staged at the Coutts POE, ready for the arrival of the convoy. Another unknown number of RCMP vehicles are stationed along the route.
- 3 employees have called in sick to work this morning, management is on arranging for coverage.

Carway

- Approx. 20 vehicles have arrived and are positioned at Cdn Duty Free store. Several have flags, banners and honking horns.
- 2 AB Sheriffs, 2 RCMP members and 1 Blood Tribe member are on site.

PAC: nothing to report and no impacts.

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Subject: RE: TRUCKERS

Sharing this statement from the CTA if useful!

Statement by Canadian Trucking Alliance President on Ottawa Protests

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Earlier this week the Canadian Trucking Alliance (CTA) [issued its position](#) on the convoy protesting the bilateral mandate introduced by the Governments of Canada and the United States that requires all essential workers, including truck drivers, to be vaccinated. The only way to cross the border, in a commercial truck or any other vehicle, is to get vaccinated. As an industry we must adapt and comply with this mandate and the vast majority have.

While a number of Canadians are in Ottawa to voice their displeasure over this mandate, it also appears that a great number of these protestors have no connection to the trucking

industry and have a separate agenda beyond a disagreement over cross border vaccine requirements. As these protests unfold over the weekend, we ask the Canadian public to be aware that many of the people you see and hear in media reports do not have a connection to the trucking industry.

To those in the trucking industry that have chosen to participate in this protest regarding cross border mandates, we ask that you engage in a peaceful demonstration today then leave the City of Ottawa to avoid any issues to the welfare and safety of the citizens of Ottawa. Your behaviour today will not only reflect upon you and your family but the 300,000 plus fellow Canadians that, like you, take great pride in our industry. Please remember this important responsibility you bear today in delivering your message responsibly but also the impact your actions will have on the image of the majority of your colleagues from coast-to-coast who do not share your opinion but share your passion for the industry and country.

Over the last 24 months, CTA has and will continue to work with the Government of Canada to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on the supply chain. This includes several health and safety measures like raising vaccine rates in our sector. CTA will continue this work to benefit our sector and, by extension, the Canadian economy. This work will begin again this Monday when the Government of Canada hosts the National Supply Chain Summit.

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Subject: Re: TRUCKERS
Adding Jones's proper email.

On Jan 29, 2022, at 12:30 PM, Khalil, Samantha <Samantha.Khalil@pmo-cpm.gc.ca> wrote:

Saw online the centennial flame was turned off. Curious if anyone has heard if that was security related?

On Jan 29, 2022, at 12:12 PM, Stevie O'Brien <Stevie.O'Brien@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca> wrote:

Update I got from PSPC
One or two tents reported at the NWM – and tents at Confed Park.
Groups of people are starting fires to heat themselves in the back Archives and in front of Supreme Court. OPS and OFD (fire) are going on site.
People are getting more confrontational (verbally) towards uniform personnel.
Large number of people are crossing from Gatineau by foot.
Unauthorized plane was circling over Parliament and a drone was spotted.
PPS officers on the ground reports that protesters are saying prepare for a Capitol Hill (referring to US Jan 2021).
People walking from Metcalfe with wood pallets and gasoline.
Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 29, 2022, at 11:41 AM, Maka, Mike <mike.maka@tc.gc.ca> wrote:

Small update from TC

This AM, the RCMP has asked TC to temporarily expand our standard NOTAM over Parliament Hill as part of their plan for managing the scene downtown this weekend. We will shortly issue a temporary NOTAM for the additional space not covered by the permanent restriction over Parliament. This is consistent with our standard practice of issuing temporary NOTAMs over specific locations at the request of relevant authorities where there are incidents or events.

In addition to the dissemination of the NOTAM through NAVCAN notices to air operators, TC will issue a tweet, to broaden dissemination to groups like drone users that may not be watching the technical NOTAM channels.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 29, 2022, at 10:46 AM, Williams, Caroline
<Caroline.Williams@qpc-cpr.gc.ca> wrote:

Good morning all,
Sitreps from the RCMP have resumed. They are currently tracking an estimated 800 vehicles to arrive in Ottawa by noon today.

Event Overview:

Latest Data (estimates): 2119+ vehicles and 5,800 + demonstrators (additions/updates to data in red)

- **Currently downtown: 500 vehicles + 270+ demonstrators**
 - 20 semi trucks parked on Wellington St.
 - South convey has arrived in Ottawa, convoy of an estimated 500 vehicles (350 passenger, 150 commercial) (OPP)
 - Approximately 70 people on Parliament Hill and approximately 270 people on Wellington St.
 - Crowds remain peaceful.

- **Currently in the City- Jet Form Park: 55 vehicles**
 - Owen Sound/Belleville Convoy has arrived at Jet Form Park for the night.
 - One more small convoy (4-5 vehicles) is expected to arrive this evening (INTERSECT).
- **Arriving today by 12pm: 797 vehicles + unknown vehicles (US-QC) +5,600 demonstrators**
 - 534 vehicles (West convoy, will depart tomorrow am from Arnprior, ON and arrive in Ottawa at 1200hrs)
 - 850 vehicles, includes those from New Brunswick and Quebec (inclusive of East convoy and SQ data), have arrived in Vankleek Hill, ON and will depart tomorrow morning with an Ottawa arrival time of 1200hrs.
 - **Convoy from Oshawa/Peterborough, ON area on route, approximately 100 vehicles.**
 - **Convoy of 20 vehicles (16 passenger, 4 trucks) travelling from Brighton, ON.**
 - **Cornwall RCMP reporting that they are starting to see convoys, approximately 50 vehicles and several trucks.**
 - QC-US Border Convoy, details unknown, will be joining East Convoy in Vankleek Hill, ON tomorrow
 - Actions Pacifique expecting 5000 demonstrators to cross from Gatineau side to NCR, planning to park on the Gatineau side and travel by foot into the Ottawa area at 1330hrs. They will be meeting up with other members of the group Farfadaa (500-600 people).
 - Unknown number of demonstrators can be expected from the NCR
- Go Fund Me page is now at over \$7.8M.
- Solidarity protests are being planned across the country. The following new planned protests have been reported by the Divisions:
 - E Division (British Columbia)
 - Vernon North Okanagan Detachment
 - Lumby, BC- a planned protest scheduled for 1300hrs PST on 2022-01-29; and
 - Vernon, BC- 'Mega Rally' scheduled for 1200hrs PST, as well as a possible protest at a local arena.
 - South Okanagan/Osoyoos

- Osoyoos, BC- Convoy departing at 0800hrs PST on 2022-01-29 traveling to Vernon, BC. Plan to then return back to Osoyoos, BC, stopping at Town Hall at 1300hrs PST and then at the Osoyoos Port of Entry (Canada/US Border) at 1500hrs PST.

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Subject: RE: TRUCKERS

RCMP's reported a further increase in vehicles in the downtown area, with the south convoy now mostly arrived. There are **500** vehicles total (up from 353 last hour), with **20** semi-trucks parked on Wellington (up from 3).

The remaining two convoys of over 100+ size, West and South, are still expected to arrive in Ottawa at noon tomorrow.

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 - 20 semi trucks parked on Wellington St.
 - South convey has arrived in Ottawa, convoy of an estimated 500 vehicles (350 passenger, 150 commercial) (OPP)
 - Approximately 70 people on Parliament Hill and approximately 270 people on Wellington St.
 - Crowds remain peaceful
- **Enroute arriving today: 20-30 vehicles**
 - Owen Sound/Belleville Convey approaching Ottawa, approximately 20-30 vehicles. Tractor trailer with front loader spotted in this convoy.

- Arriving tomorrow by 12pm: 627 vehicles + unknown vehicles (US-QC) +5,000 demonstrators (AP)
 - 534 vehicles (West convoy, will depart tomorrow am from Arnprior, ON and arrive in Ottawa at 1200hrs)
 - 300 people waiting for the West convoy in North Bay, ON
 - 850 vehicles, includes those from New Brunswick and Quebec (inclusive of East convoy and SQ data), have arrived in Vankleek Hill, ON and will depart tomorrow morning with an Ottawa arrival time of 1200hrs.
 - A large tractor trailer with numerous construction bags was observed at the Vankleek Hill truck stop.
 - QC-US Border Convoy, details unknown, will be joining East Convoy in Vankleek Hill, ON tomorrow
 - Actions Pacifique expecting 5000 demonstrators to cross from Gatineau side to NCR, planning to park on the Gatineau side and travel by foot into the Ottawa area at 1115hrs.
 - Unknown number of demonstrators can be expected from the NCR

Communications:

- Updated message for the RCMP Employee Emergency Information Line (EEIL) has been approved by National Division and National Headquarters and has been submitted to NOC.
- National Division communications has responded to three (3) media calls today (Le Droit, 2 x CBC).
- OPS are doing a few one on one media interviews this evening. Acting Deputy Chief Trish Ferguson was interviewed on CTV live at 1802hrs and Chief Peter Sloly was interviewed on CBC TV Power and Politics Live at 1820pm).

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Another RCMP update. For folks' awareness, it is looking like vehicles and protestors could potentially remain downtown overnight.

Event Overview:

Latest Data (estimates): 2,685+ vehicles and 5,200+ demonstrators (additions/updates to data in red)

- **Currently downtown: 353 vehicles + 200+ demonstrators**
 - 3 semi trucks parked on Wellington St.
 - 350 vehicles from convoy (PPS)
 - 200 Parliament Hill, crowds on Wellington St. and Queen St.
 - Protestors setting up camp in Confederation Park
 - Truck parked on Queen Street with ATV in cab (RCMP).
 - OPS directing traffic on Elgin and Queen St. Limiting the number of trucks on O'Connor and Metcalfe.
 - Convoy vehicles traveling down Richmond Rd. towards Sir John A. MacDonald Parkway.
 - MacDonald Cartier Bridge is being closed (one lane in each direction) due to weight limitations.
- **Enroute arriving today: 1705 vehicles**
 - 150 vehicles (OPP) from 416 convoy
 - 1205 vehicles at various locations on Hwy 20 (SQ)
 - Project Hendon (OPP) Sit Rep includes:
 - reports of what police believe may be a large air compressor being transported on a flat bed truck in the convoy;
 - OS research has identified a You Tube channel that appears to be live streaming police communications regarding the location and movement of the convoys, specifically from OPP radio communications;
 - Individuals attending the Ottawa protest may attend one or more hospitals in the Ottawa area;
 - OS captured an image of a tractor trailer carrying a pick up truck and a smaller piece of equipment (possibly a construction light tower), a flat bed truck carrying another pick up truck and portable toilets; as well as what might be an excavator on the back of another

truck. A large boat and a large ATV are also being hauled in the convoy.

- Arriving tomorrow by 12pm: **627 vehicles + unknown vehicles (US-QC) +5,000 demonstrators (AP)**
 - 534 vehicles (West convoy, will depart tomorrow am from Arnprior, ON)
 - 300 people waiting for the West convoy in North Bay, ON
 - 63 vehicles (East convoy, departing tomorrow from Vankleek Hill, ON)
 - 20-30 vehicles near Belleville, ON, which includes a tractor with a front end loader.
 - QC-US Border Convoy, details unknown, will be joining East Convoy in Vankleek Hill, ON tomorrow
 - Actions Pacifique expecting 5000 demonstrators to cross from Gatineau side to NCR, planning to park on the Gatineau side and travel by foot into the Ottawa area at 1115hrs.
 - Unknown number of demonstrators can be expected from the NCR

Operational Information:

- At 1512hrs, PPS reported a drone operator on the grounds of Parliament Hill with drone flying over Wellington St.
- PPS received an application for a permit in support of a riser that will be installed for 2 days. Application was submitted by organizer of 'Adopt a Trucker' fundraiser.
- Speakers have been set up in front of Queen's Gate.
- Overall mood in the downtown core is peaceful, music is playing and cars/crowds are supporting the convoys as they pass.
- GOC sent out an email to the CSO/DCSO community advising that they have received confirmation surrounding protestors entering office buildings in the downtown core and allegedly causing damage. As a result, Minto Place, is going into weekend lockdown mode, effectively immediately.

Communications:

- National Division Communications is working with National Headquarters Communications to update message for the RCMP Employee Emergency Information Line (EEIL).
- Event contains to garner a significant amount of media interest and coverage.

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And the evening update from the Government Operations Centre:

New information in bold as of 16:30 EDT

For information on planned traffic routes, please refer to the following webmap: [Link to webmap](#)

For near-real time updates on the city of Ottawa road closures and traffic updates, please refer to [Traffic.Ottawa.ca](#) and updates on @Ottawa_Traffic and @Ottawa_Circule.

Overview

- Effective 15 Jan, COVID-19 vaccination became mandatory for all truckers entering Canada from the United States to avoid a two-week quarantine and a negative COVID-19 test before arrival.
- Similarly, beginning on 22 Jan, U.S. DHS began requiring non-U.S. individuals seeking to enter the United States via land ports of entry and ferry terminals at the U.S.- Mexico and U.S.- Canada borders to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 and provide related proof of vaccination, as COVID-19 cases continue to rise nationwide. These new restrictions will apply to non-U.S. individuals who are traveling for both essential and non-essential reasons. They will not apply to U.S. citizens, Lawful Permanent Residents, or U.S. nationals." [Link](#)

Key Points

Details on Demonstrations

- A number of Canadian truckers have planned a convoy with hopes of ending the mandatory vaccine mandate for truckers.
- The convoys are aiming to meet in downtown Ottawa by noon on 29 Jan, **some have arrived already, no major issues outside of traffic management reported thus far.**
- Three main convoys (East, South and West) are heading to Ottawa. **Latest count of vehicles in convoys: 551**
- Contacts for routes and timelines can be found on the organization's website: [Link](#)
 - Eastern Convoy: **Convoys from eastern Canada will roll into Vankleek Hill this evening, before completing the journey to Ottawa on Saturday morning.** [Link](#)
 - Southern convoy, latest count is **70 vehicles** :
 - **Convoy of truckers and supporters departed Kingston, ON, shortly after 08:30 EST.** [Link](#)
 - **The first of the convoys started arriving at Parliament Hill at approximately 13:30 EST.** [Link](#)

- The Western Convoy, latest count **471 vehicles: scheduled to arrive in Arnprior, ON, late Friday afternoon, before travelling into downtown Ottawa Saturday morning.** [Link](#)
- **Sub convoys : Hearst convoy currently has 10 vehicles.**
- An estimate of 1000-2000 demonstrators are meeting at the Alexandria Bridge on the Quebec side and plan to cross over to Ottawa at 11:15 on Saturday. **MacDonald Cartier bridge is being closed (1 lane in each direction) due to weight.**
- On 28 Jan, truckers will be meeting at 3 Ports Of Entries (POE) (Saint-Theophile, Stanstead, and Saint-Bernard-de-Lacolle), and will drive on Highway 40 until Vankleek Hill ,ON, and will move onward to Ottawa on 29 Jan.
- There are 500 trucks confirmed in the state of Maine as participating on the US side of the border and 300 trucks confirmed in NB to be participating on the highway 95, along with several personal vehicles. Commercial trucks are expected to block highway 95 while passenger vehicles are expected to block highway 555 from Beardsley Road.
- **Additional demonstrations being planned across Canada.**
 - “Slow roll” convoys at provincial [and Canada/U.S. border crossing](#) are being planned over the weekend.[Link](#)
 - In AB, those who cannot go to Ottawa are being encouraged to block the Coutts border, most likely on 28-29 Jan, and not move until the demands in Ottawa are met. (Source: comments on the Freedom Convoy 2020 Facebook page.)
 - In PEI, a Convoy plans to begin a slow roll demonstration at 13:00 EST on 29 Jan from the By-Pass and University Ave intersection down University Ave to the Cenotaph before dispersing.
 - NB is anticipating the following CI disruptions: Blockade of Woodstock NB and Houlton ME International Port of Entry, Blockade of Highway 2 at NB/NS border, Disruption/Traffic slowdown of Edmundston NB and Madawaska ME International Port of Entry, Disruption/Traffic slowdown of Perth Andover NB and Fort Fairfield ME international port of entry, Disruption/Traffic slowdown of highway 2 at NB/Quebec border.
 - Demonstrations may take place at Federal buildings across Canada : Victoria, Legislative Assembly, Vancouver, Canada Place, Calgary, Prince Island Park, Edmonton, Legislature building, Regina, Legislative building, Winnipeg, The Forks, Toronto, Union Station, Montreal, Place des arts, Moncton, Riverfront Park, St John’s, Harbourside Park.
- According to Open Sources, Freedom Convoy 2022, has raised over **\$7.3** million in fundraising in support of their cause. [Link](#)

Preparedness and Response efforts

- Ottawa police have planned for 1,000 to 2,000 vehicles and note the Convoy has so far been peaceful and cooperative with police and city officials in other jurisdictions.
- **Ottawa Police Service are managing rolling closures at this time in order to manage traffic.**
- **Gatineau Police will be closing the Alexandria Bridge as of 18:00hrs this evening.**
- **Toronto Police Services are sending resources to Ottawa to assist with The Freedom Convoy in Ottawa.**

- The following road closures in the NCR were in place as of 14:30 EDT:
 - Highway 417 eastbound on-ramp at Richmond /Bayshore Drive;
 - Queen Elizabeth Drive between Laurier and Catherine;
 - Wellington, reduced to one lane between Elgin and Lyon;
 - Right lane and shoulder at Highway 417 eastbound on-ramp at Highway 416;
 - Sir John A Macdonald parkway between Carling and Booth;
 - Gatineau Police will be closing the Alexandria Bridge as of 18:00 EDT;
 - Intermittent closures are expected on the Sir John A. Macdonald, Aviation and Sir George-Étienne-Cartier parkways, for City of Ottawa operations;
 - Elgin is reduced to two lanes between Wellington and Laurier due to preparations for the demonstration; and
 - Laurier is reduced to 1 lane in each direction between Elgin and Nicholas due to preparations for demonstration.
 - Ottawa Public Health has closed two vaccination clinics. [Link](#)
- **PSPC has engaged with its parliamentary partners, as well as the Parliamentary Protective Services, Royal Canadian Mounted Police and Ottawa Police Services**
 - **24/7 building personnel and commissionaires are to be positioned on site. Contingency plans are in place to ensure that they can response to any damage / vandalism etc.**
 - **PSPC is working in close collaboration with the Parliamentary Protective Service to coordinate activities specific to the parliamentary precinct, such as providing barricades and access to infrastructure as required during the event.**
 - **Construction activities, including the Centre Block Rehabilitation Program, will be shut down from Friday to Sunday, with the possibility of extension to Monday based on the evolution of the event through the weekend.**
 - **As a precautionary measure, and following recommendations from security partners, PSPC has authorized the lock down of all buildings under its control (100 Wellington, National Press Building, etc.). Access for essential building occupants will be maintained at all times.**
 - **The Parliamentary Precinct Security Operations Center (SOC) will remain operational throughout the event and liaise closely between police, security personnel and PSPC stakeholders as required.**
- **Minto Properties received confirmation that individuals started to enter office buildings in the downtown core and some caused damages. As a result, Minto Place has locked down 180 Kent Street. All entrance doors will be locked (weekend mode) and security will be at each entrance to monitor access to and from the Complex.**

Overall Assessment: (derived from information available on open sources):

- **OPP is advising motorists to avoid travel on Hwy417 and Hwy416 in the Ottawa for Friday afternoon and Saturday due to major delays associated with the truck Convoy. [Link](#)**
- **Ottawa Police, the OPP and the RCMP as well as the City of Ottawa, are aware of and are coordinating a response to the progress of the various convoys.**

- Since most government employees are working remotely, the disruption to government activities is expected to be minor.
- OP INTERSECT is indicating that this will be a significant and extremely fluid event that could go on for a prolonged period.
- Organizers of the protest have expressed the intent for a peaceful event, which is consistent with what has been seen in other areas where the convoy has stopped so far.

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Hi all,

GOC has confirmed that protesters have entered at least one office building in downtown Ottawa and are allegedly causing damage. As a result, the building in question (180 Kent St/Minto Place) is going into weekend lockdown mode (All entrance doors will be locked) effective immediately.

We don't have info on details of the damage yet. For context Minto Place does have a large public food court and common area, and is on the intended route. GOC is still working to learn more about the extent of the damage and how serious it is, will share if there is further info.

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- OPS managing rolling road closures in the downtown core to facilitate convoy movement.
- SPVG have advised that the Alexandria Bridge will be closed as of 1800 hrs on 2022-01-28.
- Go Fund Me page currently sits at over \$7.3M
- Open Source posts indicating that participants should protest in front of the US Embassy, given the US has also introduced a vaccine mandate for truckers wishing to cross the Canada-US border. No detailed plan or direct threats related to US Embassy at this time.

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Sharing notes from today's Q&A with representatives from the Ottawa police service and the city of Ottawa. Several National outlets joined the briefing. Prepared remarks followed what was provided earlier today.

2021-01-28 – Ottawa Media Avail – Truckers Update

Agence France Presse: Is Ottawa police working with US counterparts to work on safety this weekend?

- Intelligence is with Canadian and international partners. This one is principally in Canada, more contact with Canadian partners. But that is always part of our process.

Do you have an estimation of the number of protesters? Does 10,000 still hold?

- Something we're working to clarify, detailed and latest info. No number to share at this time. 10,000 does not reflect current numbers.

CP: Slowly said they identified other groups/individuals who are mixed in among core organizers. Name hate or extremist groups who've been identified or you fear will be present?

- Not at this time. Can assure you and public we have full cooperation from national security agencies, CSIS/RCMP and international partners. Assistance in conducting threat assessment throughout this process. National, provincial and local intelligence working on constant basis.

What happens if protestors remain into next week? Let them park on the streets?

- That's a fluid part of this operation, haven't gotten clarity from core convoy on end date or exit strategy. In constant communication to make sure there's a full understanding of what's reasonable. Will be concerned should there still be a large demonstration in Ottawa downtown core on Monday.
- Public safety is at the centre of our response.

CBC Ottawa: during Canada 150, dump trucks and snow plows blocked access on precinct, why wasn't that done this time?

- Options were weighed, determined we'd like to keep one lane open on major routes, not shutting down major arteries. Keeping routes open for emergency vehicles around downtown core as necessary.

Do the protestors have a demonstration permit?

- From what we know, not at this time.

CityNews Ottawa: expand on truckers being diverted to specific areas or routes? Where? Any areas you don't want them to go to?

- We've got people coming in from all directions into the city. Traffic officers managing that, in contact with convoys on routes.
- People can find themselves on the grounds of parliament, PPS is the decision maker here.

Washroom access downtown – Mayor raised possibility that organizers not planned for portapotties?

- Currently assessing need – understand organizers may have got porta potties. We'll be ready.

City News National: going to be people seeking to peacefully protest, those to rubberneck despite advice not to. If they have to ask people to peacefully disperse, what signals will they give?

- We have equipment. Officers in the crowd, engaging with the crowd. We will give people warnings.

January 6th has been looming –how present is that risk in planning for this?

- That's been sown into the narrative of this situation. While we're informed by events from around the world, this is Canada, our nations capital. Faith in Canadians from coast to coast. Confidence that the vast majority of those participating will do so as Canadians do, lawfully, peacefully and with respect to everyone.
- For those who choose otherwise, commensurate response to any acts of violence or criminality, hate or intolerance, acts of disrespect. We're ready.

CTV Ottawa: We got emails from businesses about safety for their staff, etc for this weekend. Should businesses close their doors this weekend?

- Discussion that's been taking place over last several days. Neighbourhood resource teams have been actively meeting with businesses, residents, BIAs, local councilors, up to this morning. Sharing as much as we can so they can make informed decisions. Private citizens/businesses have to make their own call, we can give them the most up to date info.
- Do everything we can to keep them safe.

No recommendation?

- That's a decision the business has to make on their own. We'll provide them information, services commensurate to risk.

Global National: not sure on numbers – that's what's making people anxious. KPS released number of tractors, trailers, we have about 230 tractors, 725 cars coming from western Canada, Toronto/Kingston. Info from QC police, RCMP? Do those numbers sound about right, what can you add?

- What you've described is accurate, information as available when they go through a municipality. As the convoy's

travelled, numbers change. Until they arrive here, won't get an accurate count until they arrive in this jurisdiction.

- Partners providing us numbers of people travelling toward Ottawa. Numbers will grow throughout next 24/48 hrs.
- Numbers are reasonably accurate based on briefings we've received.
- 100-200 vehicles coming from NB, not sure what type of vehicles. May be a large volume of people coming from Gatineau, around 2000, on foot. Any combination of people arriving on foot and in vehicles into the city.

You've mentioned the core organizers – can you speak more about who they are, does each convoy have an organizer, how many there are?

- We've received good communication from core organizers. The risk factors are beyond the core folks- online and other forums have said they want to engage with events over next few days, inciting hate, violence and criminality.
- Plan that is well resourced on core element, all of the risks that come with that. Asymmetric threats attributed to individuals and groups that are parallel to this.
- 8 convoy captains we're in touch with.

La Presse: do you know when the first convoys are expected, where from?

- We have already seen people arrive in Ottawa. Main demonstration tomorrow at noon, but we are expecting to see groups arrive throughout the day today, don't know if they'll stay or leave and return tomorrow.

Many people are expecting to arrive, extreme cold. Do we know where people will stay, risks for safety?

- That is the responsibility of the protestors themselves, its our priority to keep people safe, we'll do what we can to work with people who are in crisis.

Le Droit: what would make your job easier this weekend – if businesses closed, or if they're all open?

- From a policing and public safety standpoint – least traffic other than our mass transportation in and around downtown will facilitate safe environment for all involved.
- Can't tell people who may have medical appointment, seek essential services, etc. to not do so, irresponsible for us to dictate which services should operate.
- Encourage people to change plans, make own informed decisions.
- If the threat information changes dramatically, we will provide that information, direct recommendations at that time. If changes, will change with it.

Is there a worry that the responsibility for services like bathrooms is falling a little bit on downtown businesses?

- No, that's not the worry. Like Canada day. Ottawa will ensure there are enough services.

Ottawa Citizen: is your main concern the potential for violence from counter protestors or main convoy?

- There's been a lot of inflammatory discourse on social media, we have yet to receive direct threat assessments for any group that we can anticipate is coming to NCR. We can't ignore rhetoric, threat language, attempts to incite violence.
- Should the situation change and we can identify individuals or groups where there is clear info that they intend to act, options to interdict as early as possible.
- Consequences will be commensurate to the acts.

Have police or city staff received any directives about personal participating in this convoy or related activities?

- As with every demonstration, our responsibility is to oath of office, not personal views. Expectation of OPS is that every member of this service will adhere to oath of office. If breached, there will be consequences.
- Applies to city employees as well. Expect everyone to follow our code of conduct.

Radio Canada: what is the number of police who will be on the grounds?
People who will be protecting certain specific buildings?

- We don't give out number of police. You can see many police on the grounds, in different uniforms and different equipment, in areas we've identified as important to have a good understanding of what's happening.

Sources say there are MPs who've been targeted by protestors, what is your strategy?

- Planning for this event has started a week ago, always coordinated with orders of police, agencies. Direct briefings with RCMP commissioner, OPP commissioner on status of threat assessments for government, officials.
- Leaders trying to advance public health have been targeted. This is not Canadian, not lawful.

TFO: not the first time we're seeing a protest on parliament, is this one unprecedented?

- Every protest is different. Depends on the crowd, how they react which guides our approach.

For people who are downtown – should they not go outside? Can they not go to the canal to skate?

- We know lots of people live downtown, asked to limit their circulation during the weekend. If they have to essential work, they are able to go do it, but should expect delays, especially in cars.

Toronto Star: which groups are the parallel groups that are being referred to?

- Not in a position to name individuals or groups at this point. Intelligence is ongoing. Won't stop till end of demonstration, follow ups after that.
- Concern is the totality of the circumstances we're facing. Risks can't and will not be ignored.

Doxing warning that went out to MPs- can you share what the assessment is at this time? What is the assessment for those people at this point?

- Nature of threats we've seen in last 18-24 months is the same nature of the threats we've seen over the last few days. Doxing is one form of this, statements that incite criminal behavior, hate, misogyny, racism, homophobic, threats of mischief.
- Prepared to lay charges.

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Subject: Re: TRUCKERS
 Midday update from the GOC:

New information in bold, as of 12:00 EDT.

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 - **In solidarity of the main convoy, demonstrations may take place at Federal buildings across Canada : Victoria, Legislative Assembly, Vancouver, Canada Place, Calgary, Prince Island Park, Edmonton, Legislature building, Regina, Legislative building, Winnipeg, The Forks, Toronto, Union Station, Montreal, Place des arts, Moncton, Riverfront Park, St John’s, Harbourside Park.**
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 - The following road closures in the NCR were in place as of 11:00 EDT:
 - **All lanes are closed at the Highway 417 eastbound on-ramp at Richmond /Bayshore Drive;**
 - **Wellington westbound is reduced to one lane between Elgin and O’Connor;**

- The right lane and shoulder are closed at the Highway 417 eastbound on-ramp at Highway 416;
- Elgin is reduced to two lanes in each direction between Wellington and Laurier due to preparations for the demonstration, and
- Laurier is reduced to 1 lane in each direction between Elgin and Nicholas due to preparations for demonstration.

- Ottawa Public Health closed two vaccination clinics due to the Freedom Convoy Link

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Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 28, 2022, at 11:15 AM, Power, Mary-Liz <Mary-Liz.Power@pmo-cpm.gc.ca> wrote:

Latest RCMP update:
Here's the latest for your info.

- According to the OPP, the movement of the convoys on 2022-01-28, is as follows:
 - The West convoy is expected to depart Sault St. Marie, ON at 0600hrs and will end their day in Arnprior, ON at 1800hrs.
 - The East convoy will depart Riviere-du-Loup (Saint-Antonin), QC at 07:00hrs and will arrive in Vankleek Hill, ON at 1300hrs.
 - Three (3) additional groups are expected to come from the US Border in Saint-Theophile, Standstead and

Lacolle, QC, where they will converge in Vaudreuil, QC at 1400hrs and will continue on to meet the East convoy in Vankleek Hill, ON, where they will remain for the evening.

- The South convoy is expected to depart Kingston, ON at 0830hrs, with an estimated arrival time in the NCR of 1200hrs. They will be making their way to Parliament Hill. It remains unclear what this group plans to do upon their arrival today.
 - The East and West convoys will depart their locations between 1030hrs and 1100hrs on 2022-01-29, arriving in the NCR at 1200hrs.
- The GoFund Me Page currently sits at \$6.9M.
 - PPS advised at 1900hrs on 2022-01-27 that 4-5 vehicles were blocking the west facing lane of Wellington St., near the Queen's Gate. Approximately 20 people from a New Brunswick movement entitled "L'Union fait la force" were present and left peacefully at 1040hrs.

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Hi there,

Ottawa Police have shared a bootleg of their remarks for today's press conference (planned for 11am). Please see below for key points, and attached for full copies of prepared remarks from Chief Sloly and Deputy Chief Ferguson.

Key Points – Chief Sloly & Deputy Chief Ferguson comments

- Demonstrators have already arrived, and we have already started to manage a series of pop-up demonstrators in the core over the last 24 hours.
- We have been in constant communication with the core Freedom Convoy organizers. Still, there are many other parallel demonstrators we have not been able to engage with - there are also social media actors locally, nationally and internationally who may or may not come to the demonstrations but who are inciting hate, violence and criminality.
- We still do not have a confirmed estimate on the number of trucks or demonstrators. We do not have an established end date for the demonstrations.

- We have significantly increased the level of local, provincial and national communication and coordination commensurate to the evolving nature of the demonstration. This includes bringing in significantly more police, national security, emergency services and City resources.
- We ask everyone NOT to visit or travel in the downtown core if you don't need to.
- We are monitoring all intelligence and coordinating with federal, provincial and local partners to ensure that we are identifying those who could pose a threat.

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- Working with organizers on operational plans for parking, safe ways in and out of the downtown core.
- We have reassigned and deployed Ottawa Police officers and we have called for assistance from other police agencies to ensure we have appropriate resources to manage any eventuality.
- This pandemic has been hard on all Canadians. It is important that we show compassion for one another while exercising our rights. That includes the local community, the demonstrators and police officers who are working to keep everyone safe.

Mary-Liz Power (she/her/elle)

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The City of Ottawa and OPS will be holding a media briefing at 11AM today. It can be viewed online at the links below:

English: www.youtube.com/cityottawa/live

French: www.youtube.com/villedottawa/live

For those who will be monitoring social media, the common hashtag **#demoGatOtt** / **#manifOttGat** has also been created for NCR security partners to use as deemed appropriate.

-Caroline

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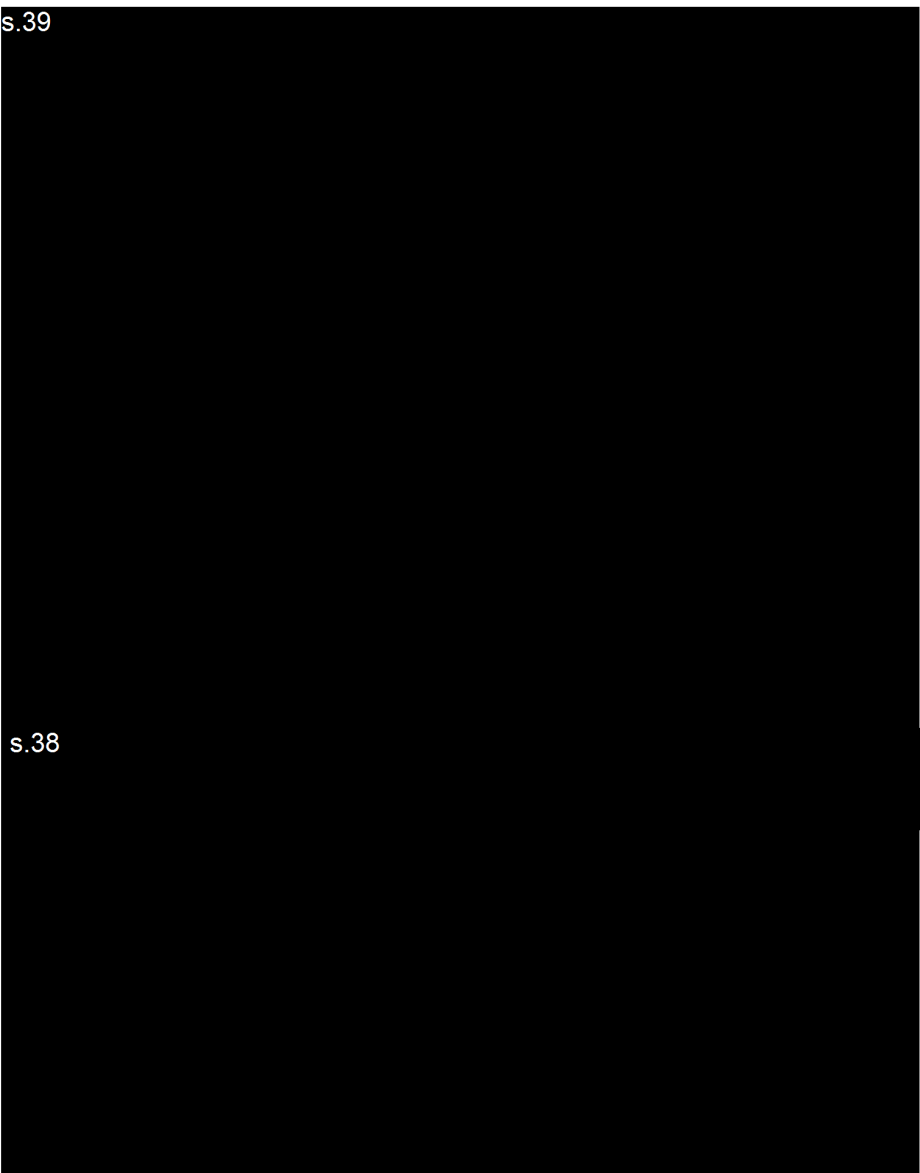
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